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RUTLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT

ON

SCHOOL HEALTH

FOR THE YEAR

1953

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# RUTLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

## Education Committee

Report of the Principal School Medical Officer for the year

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### General Statistics

Number of children on registers - Primary Schools.....	2009
Number of Primary Schools .....	33
Number of children on registers - Secondary Schools .....	786
Number of Secondary Schools .....	4

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### Medical Inspections

The age groups subjected to periodic medical inspections are prescribed in the Handicapped Pupils and School Health Service Regulations, 1948.

#### Number of Children Examined during the Year

Entrants (5 years)	...	...	...	...	...	...	1..	...	419
Second Age Group (10/11 years)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	156
Third Age Group (14/15 years)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	122
Specials	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9
Re-inspections	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	24
Total									730

### Pupils Found to Require Treatment

Number of Individual Pupils found at Periodic Medical Inspections to Require Treatment (excluding Dental Diseases and Infestation with Vermin).

	For defective vision (excluding squint.	For any of the other conditions recorded overleaf.	Total individual pupils.
Entrants	-	45	42
Second Age Group	2	14	16
Third Age Group	3	4	7
Total	5	63	65



# TABLE OF DEFECTS

Defects found in the year ended 31st December 1952

Defect or Disease	PERIODIC INSPECTIONS		SPECIAL INSPECTIONS	
	Requiring treatment	Requiring to be kept under observation but not requiring treatment	Requiring treatment	Requiring to be kept under observation but not requiring treatment
Skin	1	5	-	-
Eyes a. Vision	5	1	-	-
b. Squint	1	4	-	-
c. Other	-	1	-	-
Ears a. Hearing	-	1	-	-
b. Otitis Media	-	2	-	-
c. Other	-	-	-	-
Nose or Throat	24	43	2	1
Speech	-	1	-	-
Cervical Glands	-	3	-	-
Heart & Circulation	2	-	-	-
Lungs	1	6	1	2
Developmental a. Hernia	-	-	-	-
b. Other	3	-	-	-
Orthopaedic				
a. Posture	4	1	1	-
b. Flat foot	4	-	-	-
c. Other	23	4	1	1
Nervous System				
a. Epilepsy	-	-	-	-
b. Other	-	2	-	-
Psychological				
a. Development	-	-	-	-
b. Stability	-	2	-	-
Other	-	1	1	1





Classification of the General Condition of Pupils Inspected during the Year in Age Groups.

Age Groups	Number of Pupils Inspected	A (Good)		B (Fair)		C (Poor)	
		No.	% of col. 2	No.	% of col 2	No.	% of col 2
Entrants	419	116	27.63	294	70.17	9	2.15
Second Age Group	156	50	32.05	104	66.67	2	1.28
Third Age Group	122	40	32.79	81	66.39	1	0.82
Total	697	206	29.556	479	68.723	12	1.721

TREATMENT OF DEFECTS

Diseases of the Skin		
		Number of cases treated or under treatment during the year
		By the Authority      Otherwise
Ringworm	(i) Scalp	-      -
	(ii) Body	-      2
Scabies		-      2
Impetigo		6      -
Other skin disease		-      1
Total		6      5

During the year the School Nurse treated 80 cases of miscellaneous minor ailments (cuts, sores, bruises, etc).





# TREATMENT OF DEFECTS (Contd)

The School Nurse tested the visual acuity of 1545 children

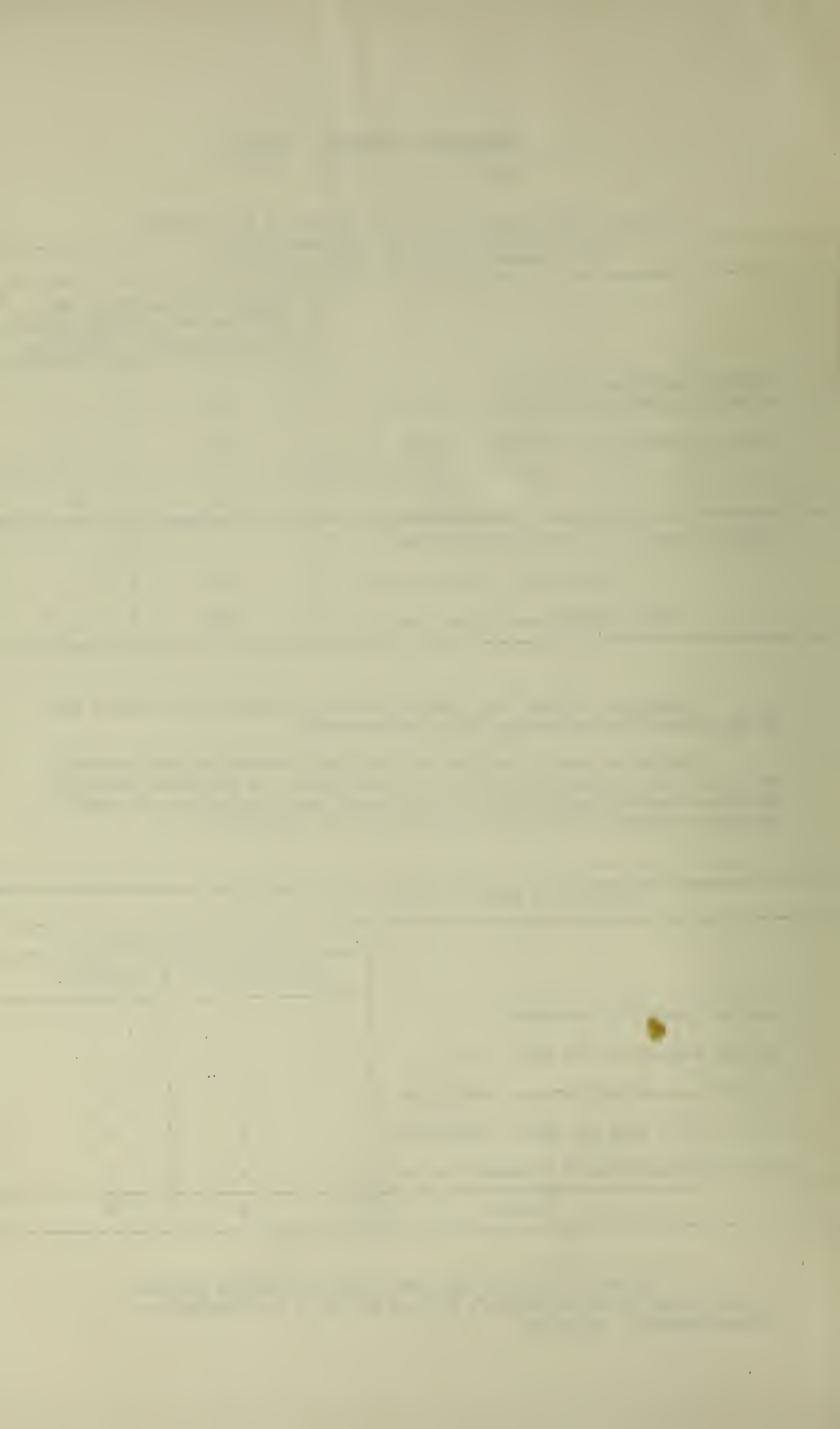
Eye Diseases, Defective Vision and Squint		
	Number of Cases dealt With	
	By the Authority	Otherwise
External and other, excluding errors of refraction and squint .....	11	1
Errors of refraction (including squint) ....	205	24
Total	216	25
Number of pupils for whom spectacles were		
(a) Prescribed .....	89	-
(b) Obtained .....	83	-

Refraction clinics were held at Secondary schools in the county and at the Bishop Clayton Memorial Hall when necessary.

During the year 8 sessions were held and examinations were carried out by Dr. S.H.G. Humphrey, D.O.M.S., of Northampton. A member of the staff of Messrs Clement Clarke Ltd., of Peterborough, was in attendance at each session to measure children for whom glasses were prescribed.

Diseases and defects of Ear, Nose and Throat		
	Number of Cases Treated	
	By the Authority	Otherwise
Received operative treatment:		
(a) for diseases of the ear .....	-	-
(b) for adenoids and chronic tonsillitis	-	97
(c) for other nose and throat conditions	-	-
Received other forms of treatment .....	-	1
Total	-	98

Of the 97 cases in the above table 50 received treatment at the Rutland Memorial Hospital, Oakham; and 47 at the Stamford and Rutland Hospital, Stamford.



# TREATMENT OF DEFECTS

(Contd.)

Orthopaedic and Postural Defects		
(a) Number treated as in-patients in hospitals	4	
(b) Number treated otherwise, e.g. in clinics or out-patient departments.	By the Authority	Otherwise
	-	56

The above attended at the following hospitals and clinics for treatment :-

	<u>In-patients</u>	<u>Out-patients</u>
Stamford & Rutland Hospital	-	52
Leicester General Hospital	4	-
Manfield Orthopaedic Hospital	-	4

## Child Guidance Treatment

	By the Authority	Otherwise
Number of pupils treated at Child Guidance Clinic	-	3 *

\* attended a Child Guidance Centre maintained by the Leicestershire County Council

## INFESTATION WITH VERMIN

Total number of examinations in the schools by the School Nurse	4452
Total number of individual pupils found to be infested.....	235
Total number of individual pupils in respect to whom cleansing notices were issued (Section 54 (2), Education Act, 1944) ....	168
Total number of pupils in respect of whom cleansing orders were issued (Section 54 (3), Education Act, 1944) .....	-



## DENTAL TREATMENT

Routine inspections and treatment were carried out by the School Dental Officer during the year.

A summary of the Dental Officer's work follows :-

Routine inspections .....	2170
Specials .....	
Total	<u>2170</u>
Number found to require treatment .....	1108
Number referred for treatment .....	1108
Number actually treated .....	722
Attendances made by pupils for treatment .....	2938
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Half days devoted to : (a) Inspection .....	48
(b) Treatment .....	<u>182</u>
Total	<u>236</u>
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Fillings : Permanent teeth .....	527
Temporary teeth .....	<u>26</u>
Total	<u>553</u>
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Number of teeth filled : Permanent teeth .....	506
Temporary teeth .....	<u>24</u>
Total	<u>530</u>
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Extractions: Permanent teeth .....	62
Temporary teeth .....	<u>420</u>
Total	<u>482</u>
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Other operations : Permanent teeth	51
Temporary teeth	<u>122</u>
Total	<u>173</u>







## HANDICAPPED CHILDREN

### Children in Special Schools

- 1 Partially sighted girl (15. 5.37) at Condover Hall, Shrewsbury.
- 1 " " " (26.10.37) at Exhall Grange, Warwickshire.
- 1 " " Boy (20. 5.37) at Stoneleigh, Leicester.
- 1 Girl with congenital disease of heart (6.4.37) at Halliwick Cripples' School.
- 1 Boy with bronchiectasis (18.8.43) at St. Catherine's O.A.S., Ventnor, (I.O.W.).

### Children attending County Schools

- 1 Girl (16.5.38) with congenital dislocation of both hips at Oakham Secondary.
- 1 Girl (5.8.43) with congenital dislocation of both hips at Casterton Primary.
- 1 Boy (6.3.45) with cerebral palsy at Uppingham Primary
- 1 Girl (8.10.44) with cerebral palsy at Oakham Primary
- 1 Girl (9.3.44) suffering from the effects of poliomyelitis at Ryhall Primary
- 1 Boy (18.8.44) with cerebral palsy at Oakham Primary.

### Educationally Sub-Normal Children

Two children, brother and sister, (born 23.4.41 and 5.9.39 respectively) were admitted to the Camphill School, Aberdeenshire.

1 Boy (18.6.42) was ascertained as E.S.N. during 1953; and reported to the Health Committee as ineducable.

Five other children ascertained as educationally sub-normal continued to attend normal schools as there is not the slightest prospect of their admission to special schools owing to the very long waiting lists at these schools.

### MILK IN SCHOOLS SCHEME

The number of children having milk in schools during 1953 was 2097. The designation of milk supplied was as follows :-

Pasteurised .....	23	schools
Tuberculis Tested .....	11	"
Accredited .....	2	"
Dried Milk .....	1	"



### Ministerio Mass Poliotherapy

Visits were paid to the County by Units of the Sheffield and East Anglian Hospital Boards in May and November respectively.

Children from the Secondary Schools who were leaving within 18 months were examined.

	<u>Sheffield Unit</u>		<u>East Anglian Unit</u>	
	<u>M</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>F</u>
Total number of children	146	138	43	50
Bronchiectasis	-	1		
Inactive Tb.	-	1		
Under observation	4	-		2. #

# referred as primary  
tuberculous hilar adenitis  
to Chest Clinic

### Mothercraft

Instruction on this subject is given by the School Nurse to the senior girls in the secondary schools.

### National Survey of the Health and Development of Children

The School Nurse continued to follow up the 5 children under investigation by the Joint Committee of the Institute of Child Health (University of London) and the Population Investigation Committee. The children concerned attend the following primary schools: Coddam (2), Uppingham, Essendine and Exton C.E.

### Diphtheria Immunisation

During the year visits continued to be paid to the schools for the purpose of giving reinforcing doses to children who have been immunised in infancy; and at the same time children who had not previously been immunised also received protective injections.

Number of primary immunisations completed	79
Number of children who had reinforcing doses	370

